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In re Application of: GERD ALTMAYER ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/446,523

Filed: December 28, 1999

For: FILTER ELEMENT WITH PLASTIC FILTER CASING

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Patent Art Unit: 1723

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application:

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ No additional claim fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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- ☒ Applicants petition for an extension of two (2) months to respond and submits herewith the fee of \$410.00.
- ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 18-2220 in the amount of \$_____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
- ☒ A check in the amount of **\$410.00** is attached.
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- ☒ Any additional excess claim fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16.
- ☒ Any additional patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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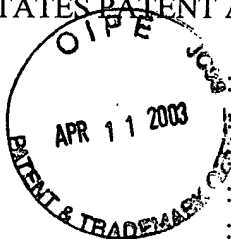
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the November 20, 2002 Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In The Claims

Amend claim 10, 11-13 and 23 to read as follows.

10. (Twice Amended) A filter element, comprising:
- a fluid-permeable supporting pipe;
 - a resilient mat filter folded into a cylindrical shape and pushed open on said supporting pipe to surround and engage said supporting pipe;
 - a plastic filter casing with openings enclosing said mat filter and delimiting a filter chamber, said filter casing being formed from a flat blank with opposite ends thereof bent toward one another

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